

Town Happenings



TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD

SMOKE SIGNALS

District Two Town Hall Meeting - On Thursday, December 1, 7:00pm to 9:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm. Village Green Pavilion. Hosted by Candice Quinn-Kelly Commissioner President, Charles County Board of Commissioners. Public Welcome. For more information call 301-645-0576.



Annual Tree Lighting Program - On Tuesday, December 6, 7:00pm. Village Green Pavilion. Holiday music from the bands and choruses from I.H. Elementary, General Smallwood & H.E. Lackey students. Refreshments, Santa & more. Free admission, everyone welcome!



Gingerbread House Making Class - Celebrating 17 years of fun! Adults and children 5 years and older. Class sizes limited. Pre-registration & payment was required. Fee includes 1 house set, 2 icing bullets & icing bag. Students bring own decorations! Friday, December 9, 6:00-10:00pm, or Sunday, December 11, 1-5pm, Village Green Pavilion.



Memorial Ribbon Remembrance Ceremony & Dinner - Saturday December 10, 6:00 - 8:00pm Village Green Pavilion. \$2.00 donation per ribbon or 6/\$10.00. Ribbon deadline to place order is Monday, December 5 and RSVP for Free



Community dinner by December 5. Call 240-375-4061 or email Karen@townofindianhead.org for ribbon forms.

Annual Holiday Festival & Craft Fair - Tuesday, December 13, 6:00pm to 9:00pm, Indian Head Village Green Pavilion. Live entertainment, Hope You Dance children's dance studio, Welcome First Baptist Church WDOGS Puppet Team, Indian Head Baptist Church Hand Bell Choir, The Painter Family Running Antique Trains, Children's Activities, Photos with Santa \$1.00 each, Homemade Refreshments, Hot Apple Cider, Gingerbread House Contest, Crafts for Sale. Admission \$1.00 all ages. All donations and proceeds collected to be given to NETS (Neighbors Eager to Serve) Program.



Annual IHVFD&RS Santa Run through Town - Friday, December 23rd starting around 5:30pm

Annual Christmas Tree Removal - Every Wednesday, beginning December 28 thru January 25. Place discarded tree curbside with regular yard waste. Tree must be free of decorations.

Holiday Closings - Town Hall, Public Works and Community Affairs will be closing at 1:00pm on Friday, December 16 and closed all day on



Monday, December 26th for Christmas and Monday, January 2nd for New Years. Yard waste and recycling pick-ups will remain the same. In case of emergency, please contact the Sheriff's Office District II Station (301)743-2222, so proper town personnel can be notified to handle accordingly.



C.C. Sheriff's Office Home Security Survey & I.H. Volunteer Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad Smoke Detector Inspection - In less than 30 minutes you can gain peace of mind! How? By contacting the I.H. Community Affairs/Community Policing Office to schedule a free home security survey & smoke detector inspection. Detectors can be installed at no charge. Security and Fire Safety tips will be offered by certified police and fire prevention officers. It's FREE, FAST, EASY & Worth it! Don't delay call 301-743-5511 ext. 121 to-



Mayor's Message by Dennis J. Scheessele

Fall is winding down. And as you are aware, this change in seasons has brought the leaves down in massive quantities. As a result, the Public Works crews have begun the annual leaf vacuuming. So, if you rake your leaves to the edge of your lawn, the Public Works crews will vacuum them up and haul them away. Please don't rake your leaves into the road.

This is also the time of the year when the municipalities of Maryland come together to develop legislative priorities for the Maryland General Assembly to consider enacting. This year the municipalities of Maryland decided that our legislative priority should be to lobby for reinstatement of state shared revenues that were cut from municipalities last year. Last year the State cut Highway User Revenues (HUR) (Gas Tax), that has been shared with municipalities for decades, by 90%. In years when HUR was fully funded, Indian Head received over \$200,000 for repair and maintenance of our roads. Last year the proposed budget cut the Town's HUR to \$8,000. This year rumors say the cut will be even worse. Without HUR money, we can't fund road repair and maintenance. So you can understand the necessity to lobby for reinstatement of municipal HUR money.

Additionally, this year there is talk that the State will consider raising the Gas Tax 5% a year for the next three years for a total of 15% additional tax on gas sales at the end of three years. And the State is considering eliminating the sharing of HUR money with municipalities. For the Town of Indian Head to fund road repair, maintenance, and reconstruction by replacing the lost HUR money, we would have to raise real estate taxes from 30 cents to 37 cents. This is not reasonable and is not something the Town is considering.

During the upcoming General Assembly legislative session, municipal officials and the staff of the Maryland Municipal League will lobby the delegates and senators for reinstatement of HUR money to municipalities. We may need your help in this effort. We may be ask-

ing you to send letters to our delegates and senators asking them to restore HUR money to municipalities to pay for road repair, maintenance, and reconstruction. And stop diverting HUR money to supplement the State General Fund programs.

That is enough talk about business. Let's talk about the coming holiday season. The Christmas season is fast approaching and we're looking forward to the many holiday festivities leading to Christmas and New Years. In the days and weeks ahead, the Community Activities Committee has scheduled and organized many activities and celebrations. There will be gingerbread house making classes, tree-decorating and caroling parties, the annual tree lighting celebration, and a holiday craft festival. Many of these events will include holiday music. You can read more about these events in the pages of this newsletter.

The Christmas season is a time for enjoying the peace and joy of the holidays and sharing holiday greetings and fellowship with family, friends and neighbors. It is a time for celebrations, parties, and exchanging gifts with family, friends, and neighbors. This year the economy is still in a slump. All of us are experiencing some hard times, some more than others. But we can still celebrate the joyous events of the Christmas season and party with family and friends. Perhaps the celebrations and parties may be a little more modest than in the past, but they can still be joyful and uplifting. Some families, who have experienced more or harder times, will find it difficult to enjoy this Christmas season. So, I encourage you to give whatever you can to the charity of your choice to help these families have a happy and blessed holiday season. It doesn't matter how much you can give. Every contribution will help these families to enjoy a happier holiday season.

The Mayor, Council and staff of the Town of Indian Head wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD OFFICIALS / BOARDS / PERSONNEL

Mayor

Dennis J. Scheessele

Council

Edward "Ed" W. Rice, Vice Mayor
Randy L. Albright, Councilman

Town Manager

Ryan L. Hicks

Planning Commission

Richard Allen, Chair
Thomas S. Blake, Sr.
Warren Bowie
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2 Open Seats

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John Bloom, Chair
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2 Open Seats

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Peggy Palmer, Chair
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Thomas Boone
Dave Dixon
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Pam Hundley-Hayes
Mike Jones
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1 Open Seat

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Community Police Officer
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EAST, Inc.
Water/Wastewater

Town Website

www.townofindianhead.org

Fire Department By: Chief Jeff Williams

The holiday season is full of busy days and nights for all. This time of year is suspect to many short cuts to meet the required time frames and schedules for us all. We get some busy and caught up in the hustle and bustle of this time of year that we tend to pay less attention to the details and take many shortcuts when decorating for the season. According to the United States Fire Administration, during the past 5 years U.S. fire departments have responded to an average of **250 home fires** that started with Christmas trees per year. **These fires caused an average of 14 deaths, 26 injuries, and \$13.8 million in direct property damage annually.**

The following are some Fire safety tips to help make this time of year a safe and enjoyable time for all.

Decorations:

- Be sure to purchase and use only UL or FM approved indoor and outdoor lighting and decorations.
- Be sure all electrical cords are in proper working condition with no frayed or damaged areas.
- Never attempt to repair any lighting or extension cords, this could cause a fire due to a short circuit.
- Never overload electrical outlets, all the manufacture's strongly recommend not to link more than three, (3) strands of lights together on one extension cord or power supply.
- Be sure to connect all lighting to the extension cords before plugging the cord into an outlet to reduce a power surge on the electrical system.
- Check all wiring periodically, they should never be warm or hot to the touch. If they do become warm or hot, you should disconnect them immediately and replace them.
- **Never leave holiday lighting unattended.**

- Be sure to turn off or unplug all lighting and decorations when you're not at home or go to bed.

Christmas Trees:

- When using a live Christmas tree be sure to choose a freshly cut one. The needles should be green and hard to pull off the branches.
- Tap the tree on the ground and see if the needles fall off, if they do the tree has begun to dry out and could be a severe fire hazard.
- Before setting the tree up in your home, cut one to two inches off the trunk to allow the tree to draw water for the stand more evenly.
- Be sure to use a stand with a base for better balance and a deep water reservoir to immerse the trunk. This will for ample water helping to keep the tree fresh.
- Be sure to check the water level daily and add water as needed.
- Keep the tree away from all heat sources such as fireplaces, heat registers and portable heaters to prevent it from drying out.
- Be sure to set the tree up out of traffic areas to prevent it from being knocked over and from blocking your exit from the home in the event of an emergency.
- Be sure to dispose of your tree properly before it dries out by taking it to a recycling center or having it hauled away by a community pick-up service.
- If you are using an artificial tree, be sure that it has the UL or FM label on it.
- **NEVER use candles on a Christmas tree.**

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American Legion Meeting

2nd Wednesday of each month - 8:00pm
Senior Community Center
301-283-0105

Western Charles/Indian Head Chapter 126 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) meets the 1st Thursday of each month (Except July & August) 301-743-9445 or 301-743-3055

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

St Mary's Star of the Sea Church

Sunday Services 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am
Saturday Services 5:00 pm
Confessions Saturdays 4:00 to 4:30pm
Special Devotions 7:30am mass on the 1st Friday and 1st Saturday of each month

Indian Head Baptist

Sunday School 9:15am
Sunday, Morning Worship 10:30am
Sunday Bible Study 6:00pm
Thursday Prayer Meeting 6:30pm

St James Episcopal

Sunday 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30am
Sunday School 9:45am

Indian Head Church of the Nazarene

Sunday School 9:45am
Sunday AM Worship 11:00am
Sunday PM Worship 6:00pm
Wednesday Adult Bible Study 7:00pm

Indian Head United Methodist Church

Sunday School 9:30am
Worship 11:00am

Indian Head Assembly of God

Sunday Prayer 9:15am & 5:30pm
Sunday School 10:00am
Sunday Worship 11:00am & 6:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm

Greater Spiritual Fellowship Community Church

Sunday School 9:30am
Sunday Worship 11:00am
Tuesday Discipleship Training 7:30pm
Thursday Bible Study 7:30pm

Congregation SHA'ARE Shalom

Services 1st Friday, 2nd & 4th Saturday every month. 301-645-4606

Fire Department By: Chief Jeff Williams

Winter Cooking & Heating Fire Safety Tips

With the upcoming holiday full of family, food and good times many families gather to share these joyous times together. However, this time of year can be one the most dangerous and devastating for fire damage, injuries and even deaths. Here are some Winter and Fire Safety Tips to help make this a safe time of year for you and your family.

Did you know?

- **About 3,500 Americans die each year in fires and about 20,000 are injured.**

80% of all fire deaths occur in the home.

- According to the United States Fire Administration (USFA), fires occurring during the holiday season claim the lives of over 400 people, injure 1,650 more, and cause over \$990 million in damage annually.
- **Smoke alarms increase your chance of surviving a fire in your home by 50%.**
- Every home should have at least one smoke alarm installed on each floor.
- Per manufactures specifications, all smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years.

Cooking Safety:

Cooking equipment, most often a range or stovetop is the leading cause of reported home fires and home fire injuries in the United States. Cooking equipment is also the leading cause of unreported fires and associated injuries this time of year. Here are some cooking safety tip to help keep you and your family safe in the kitchen.

- The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- Be sure to stay in the kitchen when you're frying, broiling or baking any food. If you must leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, have an adult watch the cooking or turn the stove off.
- If you're simmering, roasting or broiling, be sure to check your cooking regularly and use timer to remind you of cooking times.
- **STAY ALERT!** Be sure to be well rested

and try to stay away from alcohol to reduce your chances of fatigue and altered mental status.

- Be careful around the burners and heating elements, keep all potholders, oven mitts and other combustibles away from the heat.
- Wear short, close fitting or tight rolled sleeve when cooking. Loose clothing can dangle over the stove burners and can on fire.
- If a fire on the stove occurs, please remember the following;
 - ***Stay calm.***
 - ***Smother the fire by placing a lid on top of the pan.***
 - ***Turn the burner off and allow the pan to cool completely before removing it from the stove.***
- If a fire occurs in the oven, leave the door closed as fresh air will can cause the fire to accelerate and turn the oven off and allow it to cool completely before opening the door.

Home Heating:

The leading cause of residential fires during the winter months is heating appliances and the misuse of these devices. The following are some safety tips that need to be observed when using any form of heating devices within your home.

- Be sure to follow the manufacture's operating and maintenance instructions.
- When buying a space heater, be sure to look for the UL or FM testing laboratory label. This ensures the heater has been tested by a safety laboratory and certified.
- Ensure the heater is equipped with an emergency tip-over device. This will ensure that if the heater is knocked or tipped over it will shut off automatically.

- **Be sure to use only the appropriate fuel in these heaters, using the wrong or inappropriate fuels can lead to an explosion, fire and serious injury.**

- If you use a fireplace for heating your home be sure to have it professional cleaned and inspected each year.
- Always use a fire screen and burn only appropriate materials.
- Be sure to properly dispose of the ashes in a metal container and store it away from your home.

By following these simple safety tips for home heating, you also reduce the chances of exposing you and your family to Carbon Monoxide Poisoning. Carbon Monoxide is an odorless and tasteless gas that can make you and your family members sick and can even cause death.

Carbon Monoxide is caused by the incomplete combustion of fuel products such as fuel oil, propane, natural gas and even the log in your fireplace. If you heat your home with any of these types of fossil fuels be sure to install a Carbon Monoxide Alarm in your home these devices can be purchased at any hardware and department stores such as Wal-Mart or Target. These devices such be placed in the sleeping areas of the home and be electric with a battery backup to ensure they work in the event of a power failure.

The Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad would like to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season. By following these basic safety tips, you and your family enjoy a Fire Safe Holiday Season. For more information on Fire/Life Safety or if you have any questions contact the fire station at 301-743-3900 or 301-753-9400.

IHVFD & RS, Elementary School, Community Volunteers



Indoor Yard Sale/Flea Market - Saturdays, March 3, April 14 and May 5 from 7:30am until 12:30pm, at the Indian Head Volunteer

Fire Department. Come browse the tables in air conditioned comfort! Kitchen will be open, bake sale on site, tables available for \$10 each. For more information call Nancy 301-753-9722 or Mary 301-743-7080.

Drive-Thru Fried Chicken Dinner

- Mondays, December 5 and February 6 from 10:30am until 1:30pm, at the Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department. Menu: 1/2 fried chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans, roll, butter and beverage. \$8.00 plate, carry out only. Call ahead to place your order 301-753-9400 / 301-743-3900.



Texas Hold'Em Tournament - Fridays, December 16, January 13 and February 17. Doors open 6:00pm, play starts 8:00pm. Payout determined by number of players. Registration \$150 (\$5,000 in chips). Add-on \$40 (\$2,000 in chips). Register before 7:30pm and receive an extra \$1,000 in chips. Must be 18 to play, 21 to drink, ID required. Open to the first 160 players. Sodas, beer, snacks and hot sandwiches provided with registration fee. Side tables available when doors open. Call 301-753-8011 (leave message) or email poker@ihvfd.com.



INDIAN HEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EVENTS

December

12/5/11	Indian Head Town Tree Lighting Ceremony—7:00pm
12/7/11	2 HR. Early Dismissal—Teacher Planning
12/8/11	PTO meeting—6:00-7:00pm
12/9/11	PTO Parent Night Out 4:30-7:30pm
12/12/11	PTO Santa Secret Shop
12/13/11	Winter Concert (tentative) 7:00pm
12/16/11	PTO Santa Secret Shop Ends
12/22-12/30	Winter Break



January 2012

1/4/12	2 HR. Early Dismissal
1/6/12	PTO Sock Hop 6:00pm
1/16/12	Schools Closed for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
1/23/12	2nd Quarter Ends
1/24/12	Semester Break Schools Closed
1/25/12	3rd Quarter Begins
1/27/12	BIG EVENT!!!!
1/30/12	2nd Quarter Awards Assembles
1/31/12	2 HR Early Dismissal

February 2012

2/1/12	PTO Valentine's Food Drive
2/2/12	Job Shadow Day
2/8/12	Schools Closed for Students
2/9/12	Science Fair 6:00pm
2/15/12	2 HR Early Dismissal
2/20/12	Schools Closed for President's Day
2/29/12	PTO Food Drive Ends



INDIAN HEAD TRAIL TOWN ACTION TEAM

A COMMUNITY EFFORT - Join us in re-inventing Indian Head as a Trail Town. The Trail Town Action Team is not a formalized structure but rather a working group for those helping accomplish the goals of the Indian Head Trail Town Program - to attract the growing outdoor recreational market and to encourage economic growth through the expansion of existing business and the attraction of new investment. The action Team is a collaboration of members of the Economic Development Commission, the Oxon Hill Bicycle club, the former Indian Head Trail Outreach Committee and the Indian Head Business Association and residents, businesses and municipal officials from Indian Head - anyone who cares about the town and its growth is welcome and encouraged to attend. We meet the 4th Tuesday at the senior center at 6pm.

Join the folks who have decided to take up the charge of creating a better Indian Head. We are working on branding, signage, business development, community development and many other exciting projects. We are a small but enthusiastic group. You can make a huge difference by getting involved. You will see tangible results of your efforts - some short range, and some long range.

VISION - Indian Head will be a vibrant community full of outdoor recreation activity. The town will be full of bicyclists and pedestrians who utilize the rail-trail and appreciate all of Indian Head's recreational, historical, and natural assets. Indian Head's visitor friendly shops will be thriving and every commercial building will be filled.

Sustainable Maryland by Mayor Dennis Scheessele

The State of Maryland in partnership with the Maryland Municipal League has initiated a new Program to assist Maryland local governments in making their governments and communities more sustainable. That Program is called Sustainable Maryland Certified. It is a new initiative of the Environmental Finance Center (EFC) at the University of Maryland and is designed to support Maryland's municipalities as they look for cost-effective and strategic ways to protect their natural assets and revitalize their communities. Using best practices in resource areas like water, energy, planning, health, food, and economy, a municipality can earn points toward sustainability certification. The Town has registered to participate in the Sustainable Maryland Certified Program.

Sustainable Maryland Certified (SMC) provides a structure for Maryland's municipalities to protect their natural assets, revitalize their communities, and become known for those achievements. Led by the Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland, in partnership with the Maryland Municipal League, SMC is a program for municipalities that want to go green, control costs, save money, and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term while being certified for their accomplishments. The program provides a menu of actions allowing a municipality to select the activities that will most help them work toward sustainability and to plan across community priorities to achieve multiple community benefits. Each action, once completed, earns the municipality points toward certification.

SMC encourages municipalities to consider the community as a whole. At the core of SMC is the local government/community partnership. Thus, we need volunteers from the community to work in conjunction with the local government to achieve sustainability.

The formation of a "Green Team" is the first step to establishing a community sustainability program. Green Teams leverage the skills, expertise, and life experience of team members to develop policies and plans, implement programs, and assist with educational opportunities that support the creation of a sustainable community. Members of the Green Team will include

appointed municipal staff, elected officials, and volunteer members of the community. Members should include representatives of boards and commissions, citizen leaders and representatives from community organizations. These organizations could include schools, school boards, parent-teacher organizations, and students from our community. Other organizations could include civic organizations and faith-based groups. Finally, representatives from local businesses and/or the local business association should be included, in addition to those from historic preservation, culture, or arts based groups.

The Green Team should reflect the overall demographics of our community, including members with differing income levels, housing types, ethnicities, races, ages, and neighborhoods. There is no perfect recipe for forming a Green Team, but the strongest team will be one that represents a broad cross-section of our community.

The next step is for the Green Team to develop a Green Team Action Plan. The Green Team Action Plan is a strategy for completing SMC actions, achieving sustainability and, eventually, earning SMC certification. While the Action Plan may evolve over time, developing a strategy for moving forward is important to keeping the Green Team on task. A customizable 10-question community survey is provided by the EFC. The community survey is designed to be a simple way to quickly assess the needs, interests, and sustainable behaviors of our community. The community survey will help highlight what issues are important to our community and will help the Green Team identify and prioritize the action items to include in the Action Plan.

Seven sector-specific task forces have developed sustainability criteria and action items that are included in the program. The task forces were comprised of representatives from 86 organizations from Maryland state agencies, municipalities, non-profit and private sectors, and academia. These task forces are charged with tailoring certification criteria, tools, and training workshops to meet the needs of Maryland communities. SMC's sector specific Task Forces developed sustainability criteria and action items in the following sectors:

- Natural Resources Task Force: water quality, land preservation, stormwater management, green infrastructure, community forestry, and resource management.
- Community Action Task Force: school partnerships, community partnerships, incentive programs (green challenges), green fairs, community education and outreach, arts and culture, and historic preservation.
- Social Equity Task Force: housing, environmental justice, disability, aging, diversity on boards and commissions, accessible design, and any other ways that a community could become more inclusive.
- Health and Wellness Task Force: obesity, recreation, and consumer health.
- Local Economies Task Force: promoting green businesses and job creation, establishing a Green Business Recognition Program, expanding purchasing opportunities with local businesses, and promoting sustainable practices with the business community.
- Sustainable Agriculture Task Force: encouraging communities to buy more fresh and local foods, promoting farm cooperatives, improving nutritional and healthy living programs, starting farm markets, and promoting neighborhood gardens.
- Planning and Built Environment Task Force: planning, land use, transportation, green design, energy, and climate change.

Green Team Formation

The Town has started establishing the Green Team, but we need additional volunteers representing our various community organizations as well as the various demographics of our citizens. If you would like to help with making our community more sustainable, please call or email Awilda Hernandez at 301-743-5511 x100 or awilda@townofindianhead.org.



Town of Indian Head Useful Information

Holiday Closings

Town Hall, Public Works and the Community Affairs Office will be closed on the following day this quarter in observance of the holiday listed:

Christmas Holiday
Monday, December 26
New Years Holiday
Monday, January 2
Martin Luther King Day
Monday, January 16, 2012
Presidents Day
Monday, February 20, 2012

If you have a water or sewer emergency after hours, call 301-743-2222 to report your emergency. On-call Town personnel will be contacted and the problem will be handled accordingly.

After hours non-emergency type problems can be reported by leaving a message on the Town Hall office number 301-743-5511. Be prepared to furnish your name, address, phone number and brief, but detailed description of the type of problem. Water cut-offs for non-payment are not considered emergencies and are only handled during Public Works regular business hours.

Town Codes

- **Burning**—No burning is allowed within the Town limits.
- **Animal Control**—Dogs and cats must be kept on the owner's property unless properly restrained. The Charles County Animal Control provides animal enforcement within the Town. Call 301-932-1713 if you have a problem.
- **Abandoned or Inoperative Vehicles** are prohibited within the Town and may not be kept on the street for more than 24 hours or on private property, with certain exceptions. Call Code Enforcement at 301-743-5511 ext. 101 with any questions.
- **Property Maintenance**—Every dwelling and lot shall be kept free from trash and garbage. Weeds and grass must be cut and kept shorter than 10 inches.
- **Building Code**—The Town has an adopted building code. Any new construction or remodeling, including, but not limited to porches, fences, sheds and garages, requires inspection and a building permit from the Town.

Town Meetings

1st Monday every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Green Pavilion. Televised 8p.m. first two Fridays each month on Comcast Channel 190. meetings will also be televised on CCGTV on Mondays at 10am and Wednesdays at 7pm. Comcast channel 95 and FIOS channel 10.

Town Hall

Office Hours
Monday - Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Phone Numbers
Ofc: 301-743-5511
Fax: 301-743-9008

Recycling/Yard Waste

Solid waste products such as glass jars and bottles, newspapers, plastic bottles and metal cans will be picked up at the curb every Wednesday within the Town of Indian Head. Place these items in your recycling bin—no need to separate them.

Yard waste will be collected on Wednesdays, year-round, weather permitting. Grass clippings and leaves must be placed in brown paper bags or in a trash container marked "Yard Waste" and placed at curbside. Brush must be bundled and must not be any longer than four feet (4') in length. Individual pieces of brush must not be any larger than six inches (6") in diameter. Bulk Trash can now be scheduled year-round on Wednesdays. Fee of \$50 (cash or money order **ONLY**) per scheduled pick-up must be paid in advance at time of scheduling at Town Hall. All items must be curbside by 7:00am on the prescheduled pick-up day but not earlier than 48 hours prior to pick-up day.

Utility Rates

The Town bills for utilities on a quarterly basis. Please make note that you will be receiving a bill four times a year (July, October, January and April). **You are encouraged to make an estimated payment monthly toward your quarterly bill.** For more information you can call Town Hall at 301-743-5511

Water & Sewer Rates

Minimum rate for all residential customers \$ 70.40
(per dwelling unit per quarter) plus
\$6.85 for every 1,000 gallons used

Minimum rate for all commercial customers \$ 212.80
(per unit per quarter) plus
\$6.85 for every 1,000 gallons used

Bay Restoration Fee

\$7.50 to State of Maryland Comptroller's office for the Bay Restoration Fund

Trash Rates

Residential/Multiple Residential Rate: \$ 60.00 (per dwelling unit per quarter) - Billed quarterly for once a week curb-side pickup and one (1) recyclable products pickup per week.

Commercial Rate

Category I Dumpster (4cu yds) \$490.00 per qtr

Category II Maximum 2 cans \$93.00 per qtr
(per unit)
Each additional can \$46.00 per qtr

All residential and commercial units within the Town of Indian Head shall avail themselves of the Town's curb-side trash collection service.

Happy Holidays from the Town of Indian Head!



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Indian Head, MD 20640
Phone: 301-743-5511/301-753-6633
Fax: 301-743-9008
www.townofindianhead.org

Friendly Safety Reminders

School Zone &

Posted speed limit 30mph

On Indian Head Highway from the area McWilliams Rd/N. Prospect St. to the NSWC base gate is 30mph, which includes a designated School Zone.

When the school zone flashing lights are activated, the fines are doubled to a maximum fine of \$1,000.00 and 5 points

Pedestrian Crosswalks

Vehicles must come to a complete stop to allow pedestrians in a marked crosswalk to cross the street.

Violators subject to a Fine of \$80.00 & 1 Point (not contributing to an accident), if any accident occurs—requires issuance of a Must Appear Citation

School Buses

Failure to stop for stopped school vehicles operating alternately flashing red lights has a fine of \$570.00 and 3 points.

Failure to remain stopped for stopped school vehicle operating alternating flashing red lights has a fine of \$570.00 and 2 points.

Drive carefully & responsibly - Obey all posted traffic & directional signs

Watch Out for Children, Buses & Pedestrians!

Questions?—Call the I.H. Community Affairs/Community Policing Office
(301)743-5511 ext 121

FREE Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection & Recycling 2011

1st Saturday April—December

Last Chance this season—December 3

NEW LOCATION!

Department of Public Works

**10430 Audie Lane, off Radio Station Road, La Plata
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Items accepted free of charge include pesticides, herbicides, fertilizer, gasoline, paint (except Latex-can be dried out in can and included in regular trash), cleaning supplies, pool chemicals, batteries, and other poisons.

Items Accepted ANYTIME at the C.C. Landfill & Pisgah\ Recycling Center, 6645 Mason Springs Road, Pisgah,
Monday-Saturday, 7:00am-7:00pm

Batteries, empty gas grill propane cylinders, motor oil, antifreeze

Old computers & electronics are accepted ONLY at the C. C. Landfill, Billingsley Road East, Monday-Saturday, 7am-7pm

*24-Hour Oil & Antifreeze Drop Off Site—located at
Ruth B. Swann Park, Bryans Road accepts used Oil &
Antifreeze—open 24 hours*

Please keep materials in their original containers whenever possible, and bring them to the collection site in cardboard boxes to ease unloading.

For more info. call Charles County—(301)932-3599 or 870-2778

For TOWN Trash Collection, Recycling or Special Bulk Pick-up
Information—Contact Town Hall (301)743-5511